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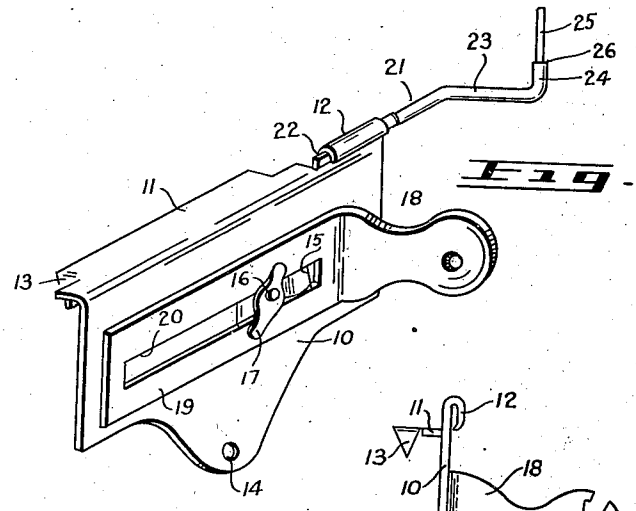


Fig. 1.

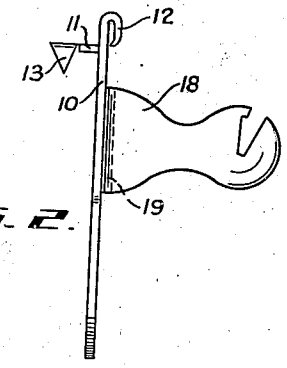


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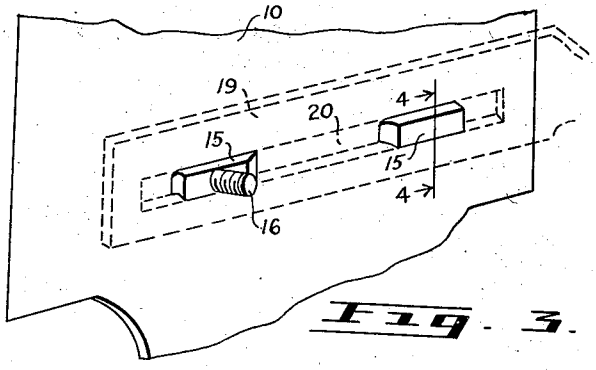


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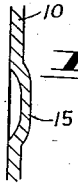


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This invention relates to holding brackets and more particularly to a combination blind and curtain support, each pair of which have a relatively wide range of adjustability toward and away from each other.

The usual type of bracket of this character has many objectionable characteristics some of which are, the fact that it is necessary to mount two pairs of brackets on the window frame, one pair to support the blind and second pair to support the curtain rod, this feature tends to mar the woodwork particularly as two or more screws are usually required to secure each bracket to the woodwork. In addition the brackets must be carefully placed as little tolerance is given for the support of the blind.

This invention has for its primary objects the provision of a combination blind and curtain support and includes means whereby the blind brackets and curtain brackets may be adjusted to vary the distance between each pair when they are fixed to the window frame or the like.

Another object of the invention is to provide improved attaching means whereby the bracket may be more easily fixed in position and which considerably reduces the necessary marring of the wood-work.

Still other objects of a more general nature are to provide an inexpensive, durable and attractive device of the character set forth; so designed that the complete support is covered by the curtain when the whole is positioned.

With the above noted and other objects in view which may appear as the description proceeds the invention resides in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of cooperating parts as hereinafter more specifically set forth, claimed and shown in the accompanying drawing forming part of this application and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of one of the pair of supports.

Fig. 2 is an end elevational view of the opposite support with the curtain rod holder removed and seen from the outside end.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary perspective view of the body portion of the bracket showing the lugs in detail.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Referring more in detail to the drawing in which similar reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views it will be seen that the invention resides in a body portion generally designated by the reference numeral 10, the upper portion of which is bent at right angles to the major portion to form a flange 11. A predetermined, smaller portion of the flange is cut from the main portion and bent back in itself in the opposite direction to form a rectangular barrel 12, as seen in the end elevation of Figure 2.

Each extremity of the flange 11, is formed into pointed ears 13, bent downward at right angles to the flange and the lowermost part of the body portion has an aperture 14, therethrough. The support is mounted on the window frame by forcing the ears 13, into the upper edge of the top member of the frame and securing the bracket in this position by means of a small screw disposed through the aperture 14, into the woodwork. It will be seen that the weight is taken almost entirely by the ears 13, and flange 11, therefore, a very small screw may be used to the end that the wood-work is almost unaffected by the support.

Disposed centrally of the body portion 10, and aligned horizontally are two lugs 15, which may be punched out as shown in Figure 4, or otherwise formed thereon. A screw stud 16, projects from one lug and a nut, preferably a thumb nut 17, is threaded on the stud.

The blind brackets 18, include an elongated portion 19, which has an elongated slot 20, therein. The bracket is placed against the body portion 10, so that the lugs 15, extend into the slot and is held in position by means of the thumb nut 17 to the end that each bracket may be adjusted in the plane of the lugs but is restricted from other movement while so retained.

The curtain brackets 21, include a rectangular stem 22, which is snugly slidable in the barrel 12, adapted for lengthwise movement in the horizontal plane but prevented from rotational movement by the rectangular shape of the stem in the barrel.

End 23, of curtain bracket 21, is bent horizontally at right angles and vertically bent at right angles 24, having the extreme end 25, slightly smaller in diameter thus providing a shoulder 26, preventing the curtain rods from resting on the end 23, of bracket 21.

From the foregoing it will be seen that I have invented an improved blind and curtain support for the purpose hereinbefore described, the advantages of which have been fully set forth.

It is believed that the construction and advantages of the structure shown may be apparent from the foregoing paragraphs taken in con-

junction with the accompanying drawing without further detailed description.

While the preferred embodiment of the invention has been disclosed it is understood that minor changes in the details of construction, combination and arrangement of cooperating parts may be resorted to within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

I claim:

1. A combination blind and curtain support comprising a body portion, a flange at right angles to and along the top of the body portion having pointed ears depending therefrom for attaching the support to a window frame, a horizontally disposed barrel formed integral with the body portion and a curtain bracket slidable in the barrel, aligned lugs on the body portion, a blind bracket including a slotted portion slidably secured to the body portion so that the lugs project into the slot.

2. A combination blind and curtain support consisting of a body portion including a right angled flange along part of the top edge, ears depending from the flange, a barrel, rectangular in cross section along part of the top edge, lugs in horizontal alignment on the body portion, a curtain bracket including a stem, rectangular in cross section slidable in the barrel and a shoulder retaining means on the end thereof, a blind bracket including an elongated portion having an elongated slot slidable against the body of the support held thereagainst by a coupling nut and stud which projects from one lug in a manner so that the lugs project into the elongated slot.

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